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SUBJECT: GOI DISCLAIMS KNOWLEDGE OF OVERTURE TO LIBYA

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1. HIGH FONOFF SOURCE TELLS US THAT GOI HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF VISIT TO LIBYA BY "DEVELOPMENT OF IRISH RESOURCES ORGANIZATION," LEAD BY WALTER J. HEGARTY (REFTEL). SOURCE DESCRIBED HEGARTY AS A "DECENT CHAP" AND SMALL-TIME ENTREPRENEUR, WHO HOPES TO MAKE HIS FORTUNE BY OPENING UP A DEAL WITH LIBYA. SOURCE DID NOT APPEAR TO HAVE ANY CONFIDENCE IN SUCCESS OF VENTURE. ON OTHER HAND, HE DID NOT INDICATE THAT GOI DISAPPROVED IN ANY WAY OF ATTEMPT TO GET LIBYAN CAPITAL FOR OIL EXPLORATION OFF IRISH COASTS.

2. NEWSPAPERS HAVE HAD SIMILAR REACTION TO THIS VENTURE: PUZZLEMENT, BUT NOT DISAPPROVAL.

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3. SAME SOURCE QUOTED IN PARA 1 TOLD US, HOWEVER, THAT IRISH

CONTINUE VERY STRONGLY OPPOSED TO LIBYAN SUPPLY OF ARMS TO
PROVISIONAL IRA. SOURCE HAD EXPLAINED THIS FORCEFULLY TO LIBYAN
REPRESENTATIVE AT PRESIDENT CHILDER'S FUNERAL, WHO WAS VERY
BADLY INFORMED ON IRISH SITUATION.
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